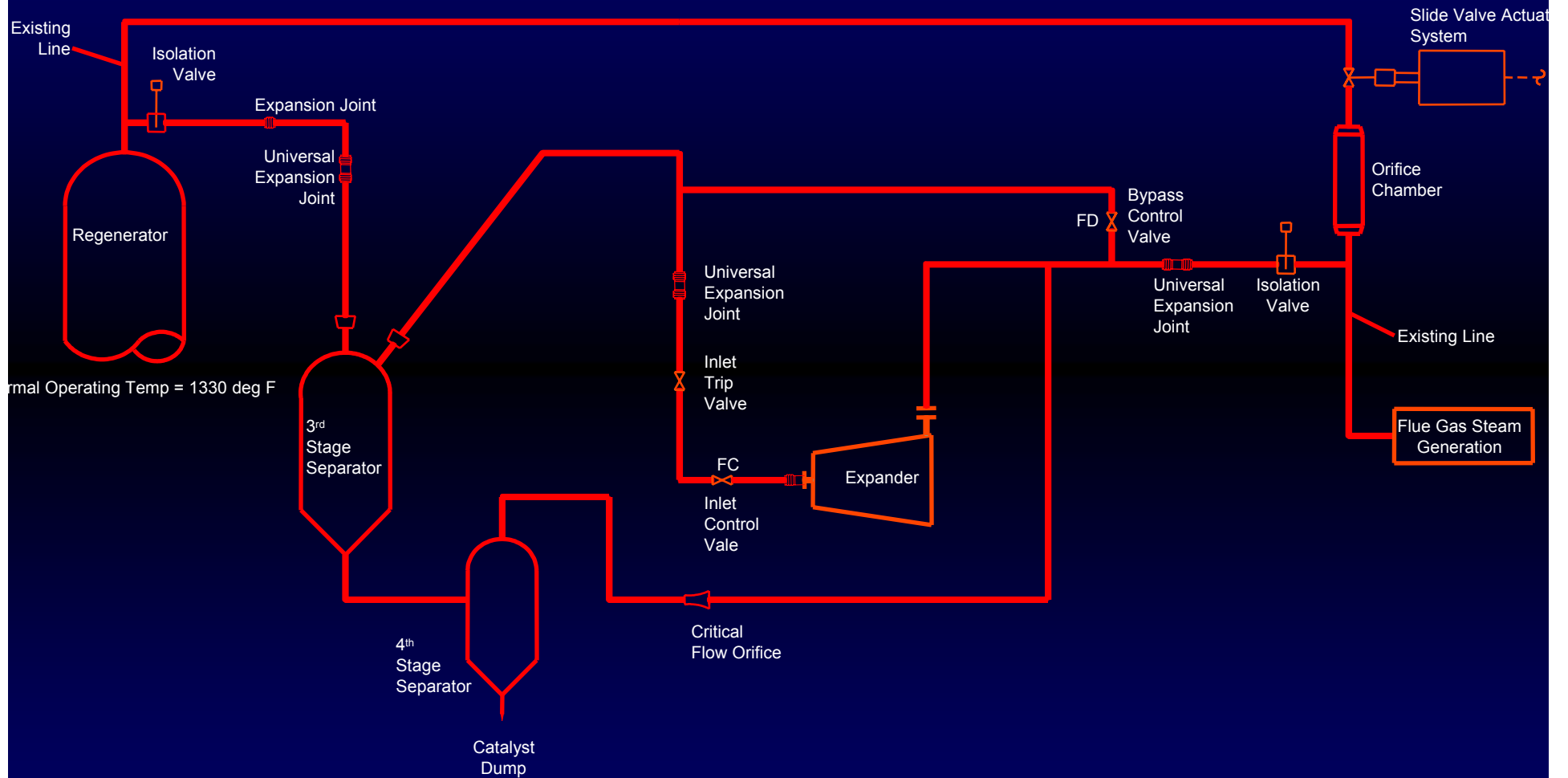




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**VALERO, Houston  
FCCU Power Recovery  
Train Rerate and  
Upgrade**



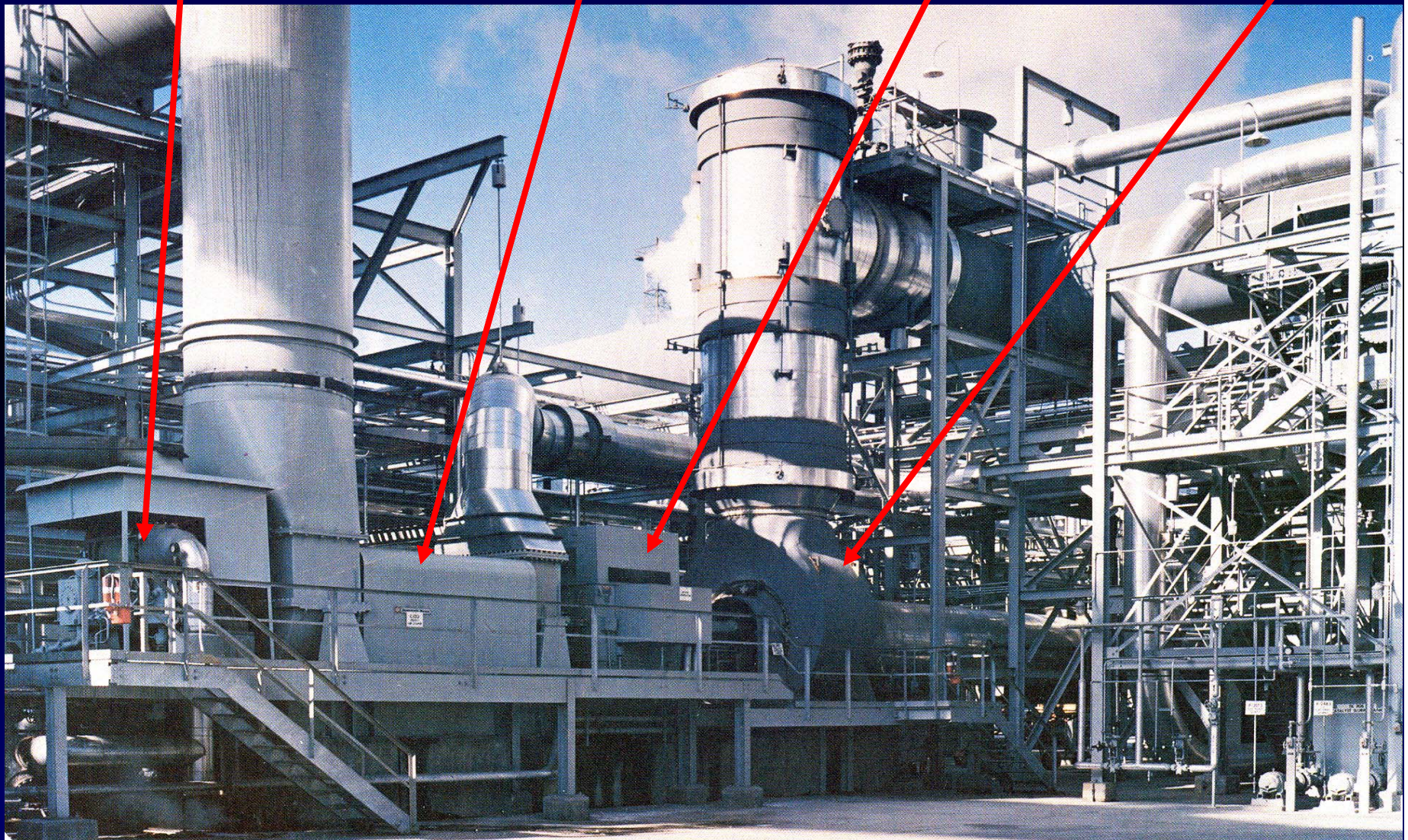


**Steam turbine –**

**Axial compressor –**

**Motor/generator –**

**Expander**

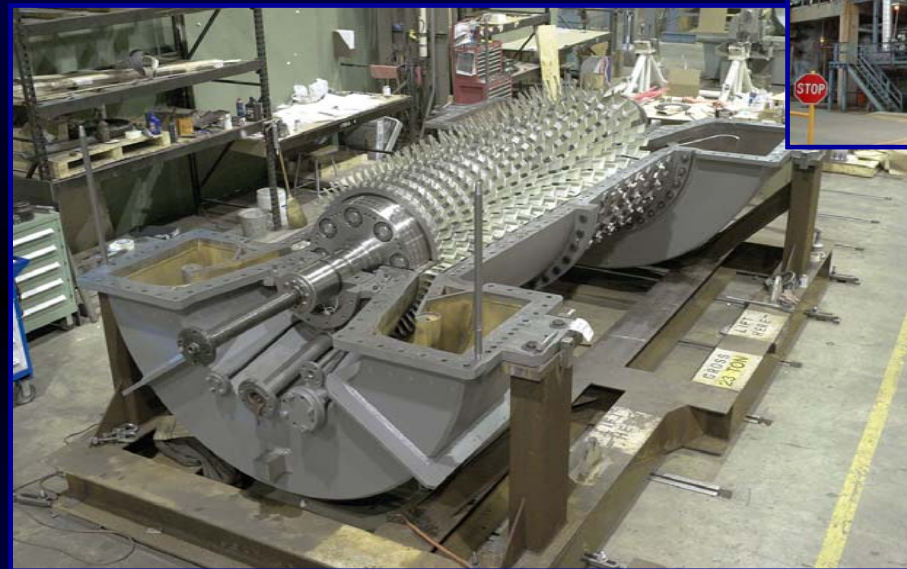




### *Valero Houston PRT Rerate/upgrade Key Job Considerations*

- FCCU plant expansion requires more air flow and pressure
- Train power increase can be accommodated by rerating expander for increased flue gas.
- Steam turbine can be rerated to accommodate higher starting power requirement while increasing reliability.
- Equipment foot prints and shaft end spacing must not change.

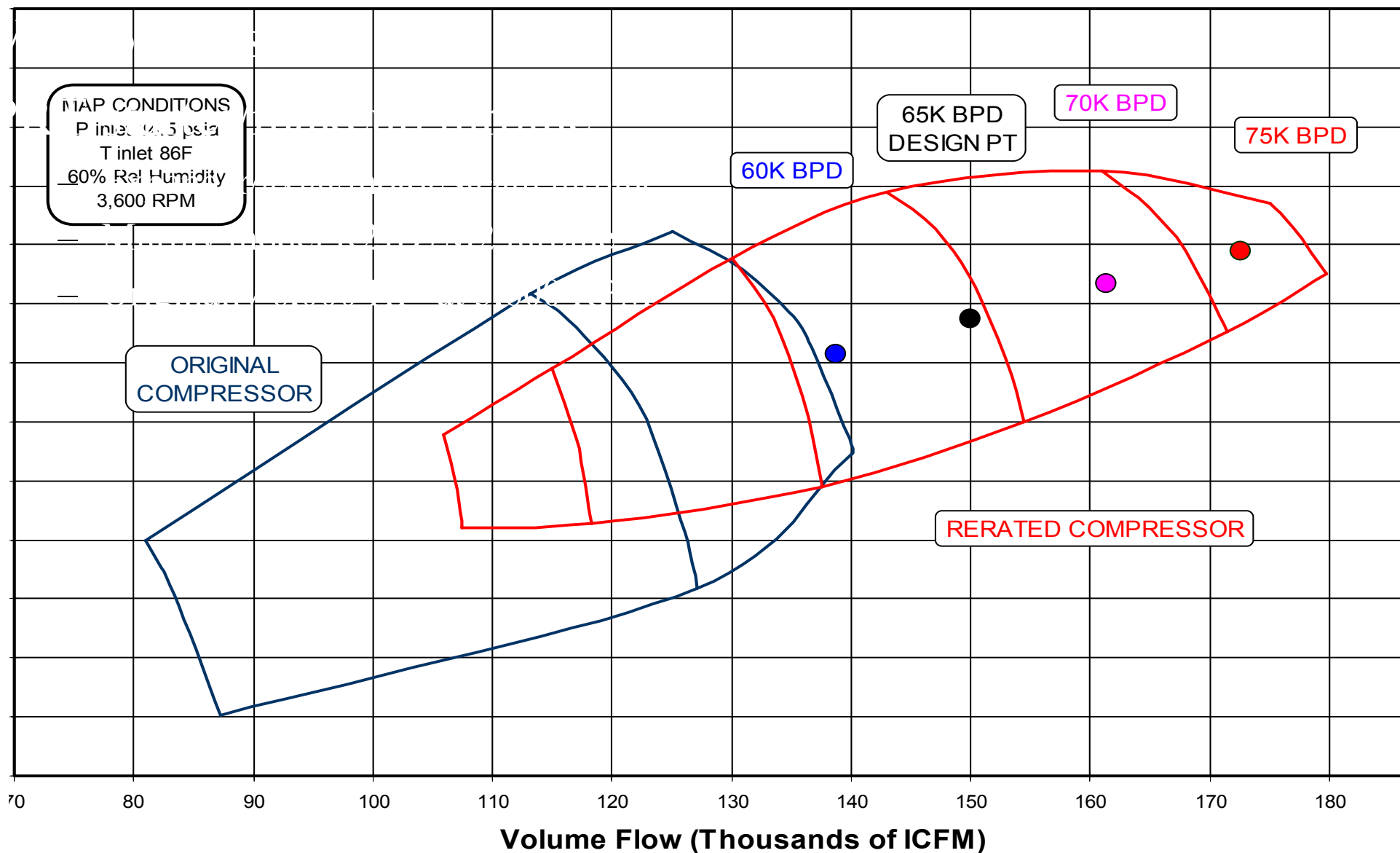
- Reapplication of surplus axial.
- Redesigned from 15 to 17 stages.
- Rerated for additional 30% flow capability.



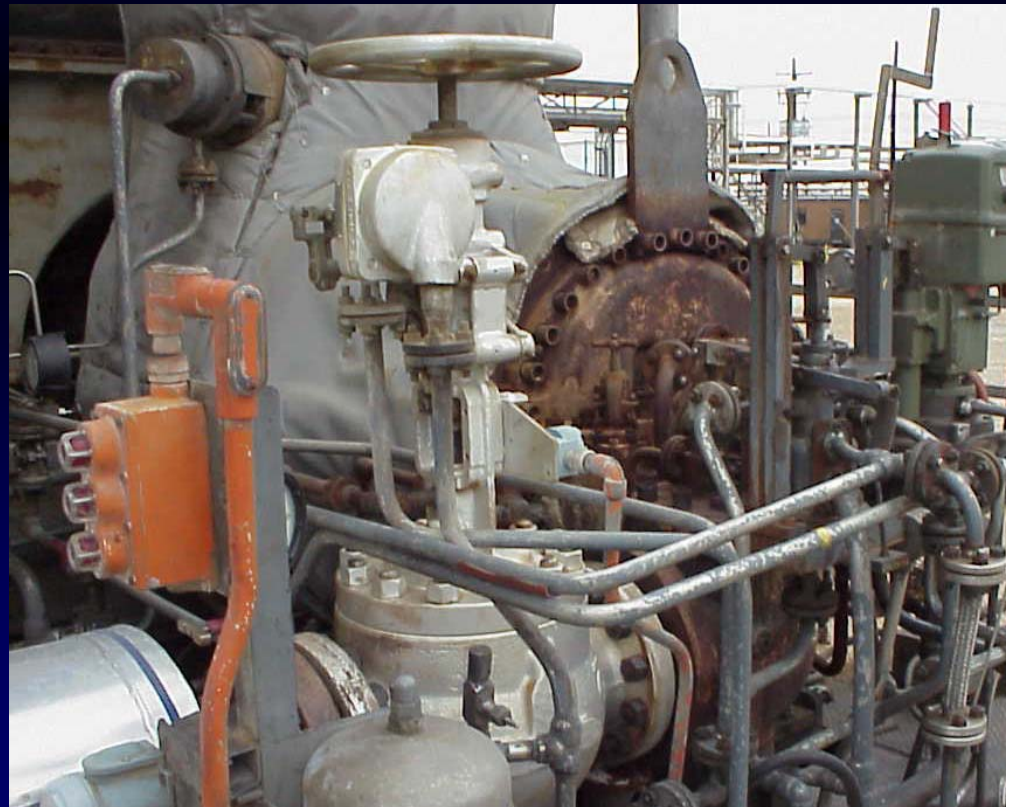
Unit during final assembly



**AXIAL COMPRESSOR ESTIMATED PERFORMANCE  
ORIGINAL VS. RERATE**

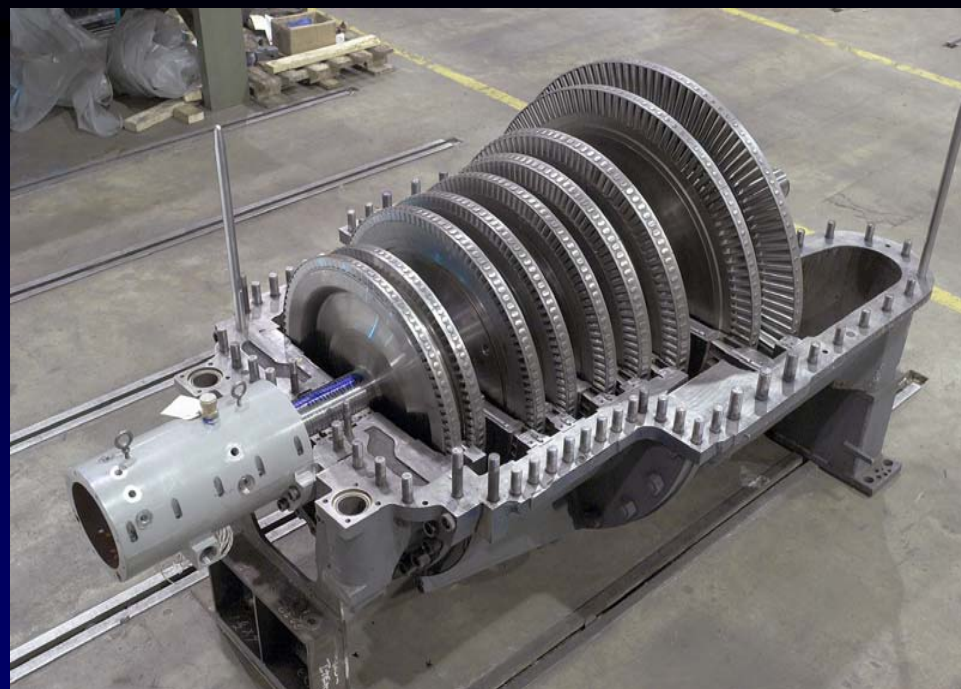


- Expander/axial/motor/steam turbine
- Originally 6,000 HP at 3,600 RPM

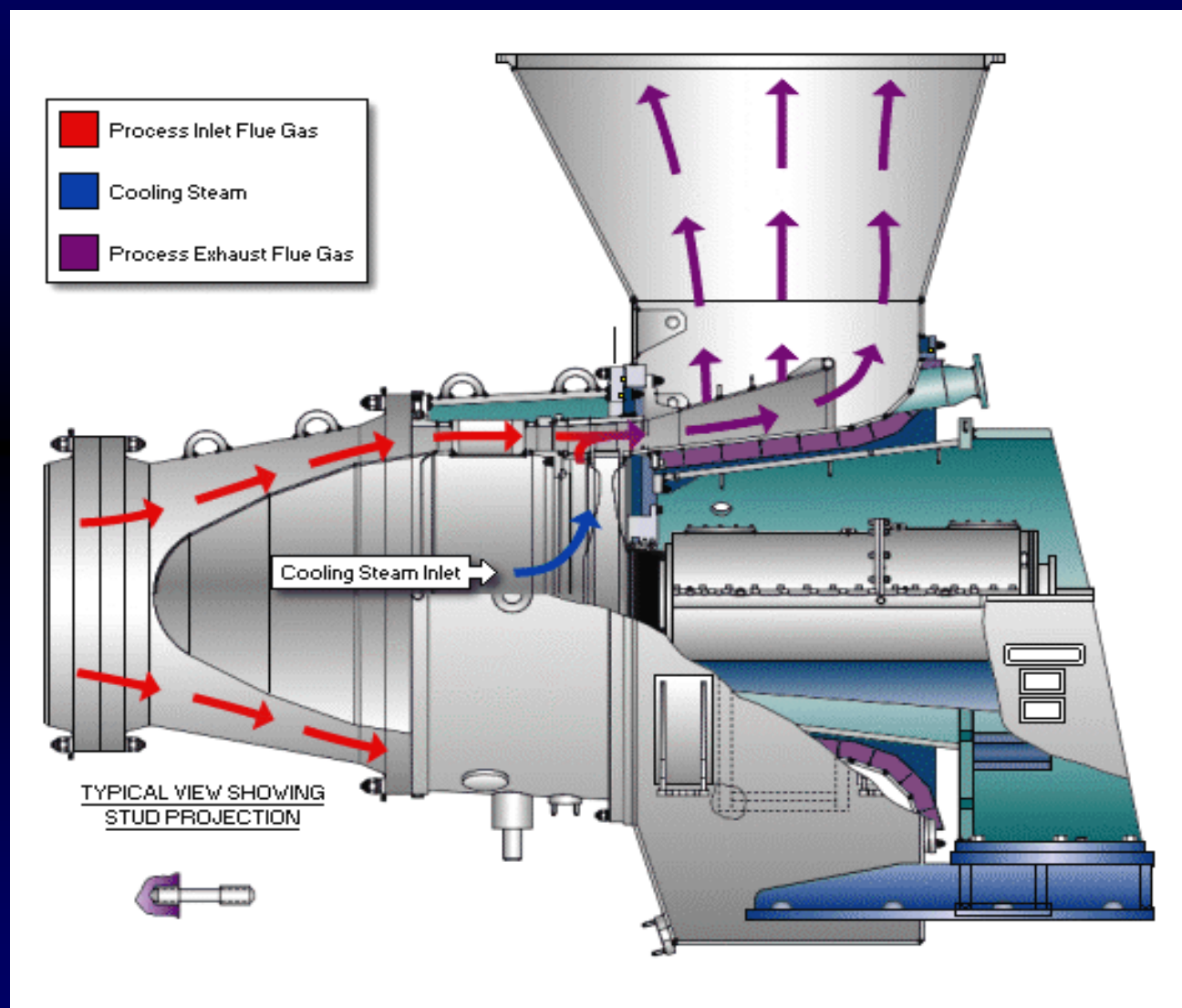




- **Rated to 12,000 HP**
- **100% increase in power**
- **Integral rotor in lieu of original**  
Built up rotor





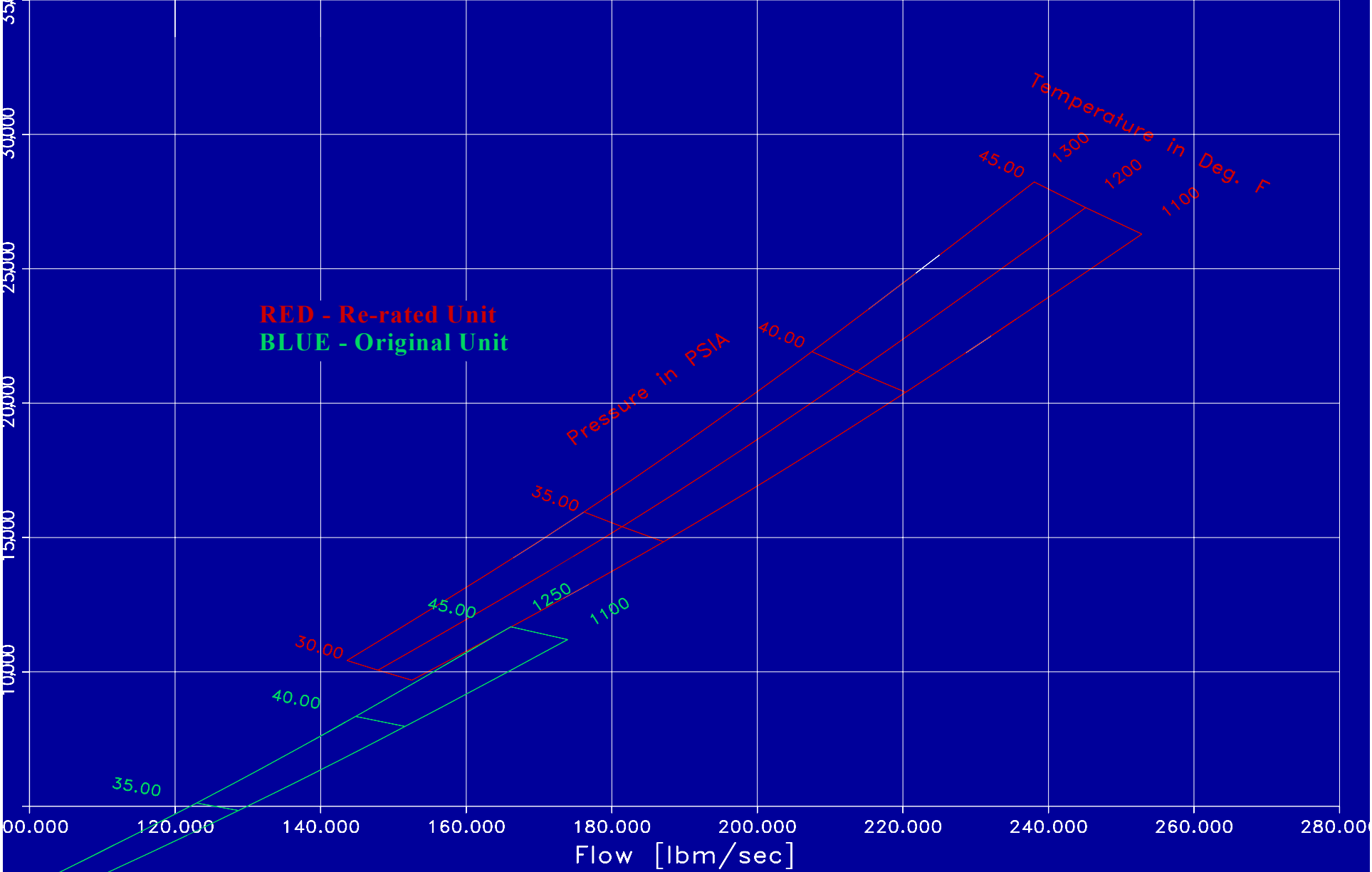


**CONMEC FEX-125  
INTAKE ASSEMBLY**

- **Reapplication of surplus/unused unit**
- **Increased HP by over 50%**
- **Upgraded rotor design for increased HP**



ESTIMATED EXPANDER PERFORMANCE MAP  
FEX-125 Expander Re-rate/Upgrade





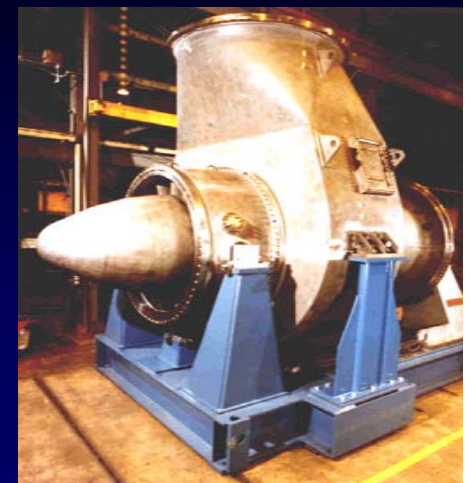
# ***FCC Power Recovery: Expander/generator Sets***

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**GE CONMEC**  
**Bethlehem, PA**  
**USA**



- **FCC expanders operating conditions:**
- Low pressures (< 30 psig)
- High temperatures (1100 to 1400 degrees F)
- High volume flow (> 1,000,000 lbs/hr)
- High power density turbines (1,000 Hp per blade)
- Unique installation requirements (such as large ducting)
- Must operate continually for long periods of time > 32,000 hours



### ➤ Expander Installation Options:

#### ➤ Addition of an expander to the current air blower train

- Expander
- Motor/generator

#### ➤ Installation of a stand along expander / generator set





## ➤ Plot Space

## ➤ Third stage separator

## ➤ Piping

- Stainless steel unlined piping
- Expander inlet
- Expander bypass

## ➤ Control system

- Hot Valving
- Isolation
- Process controls
- Generator controls

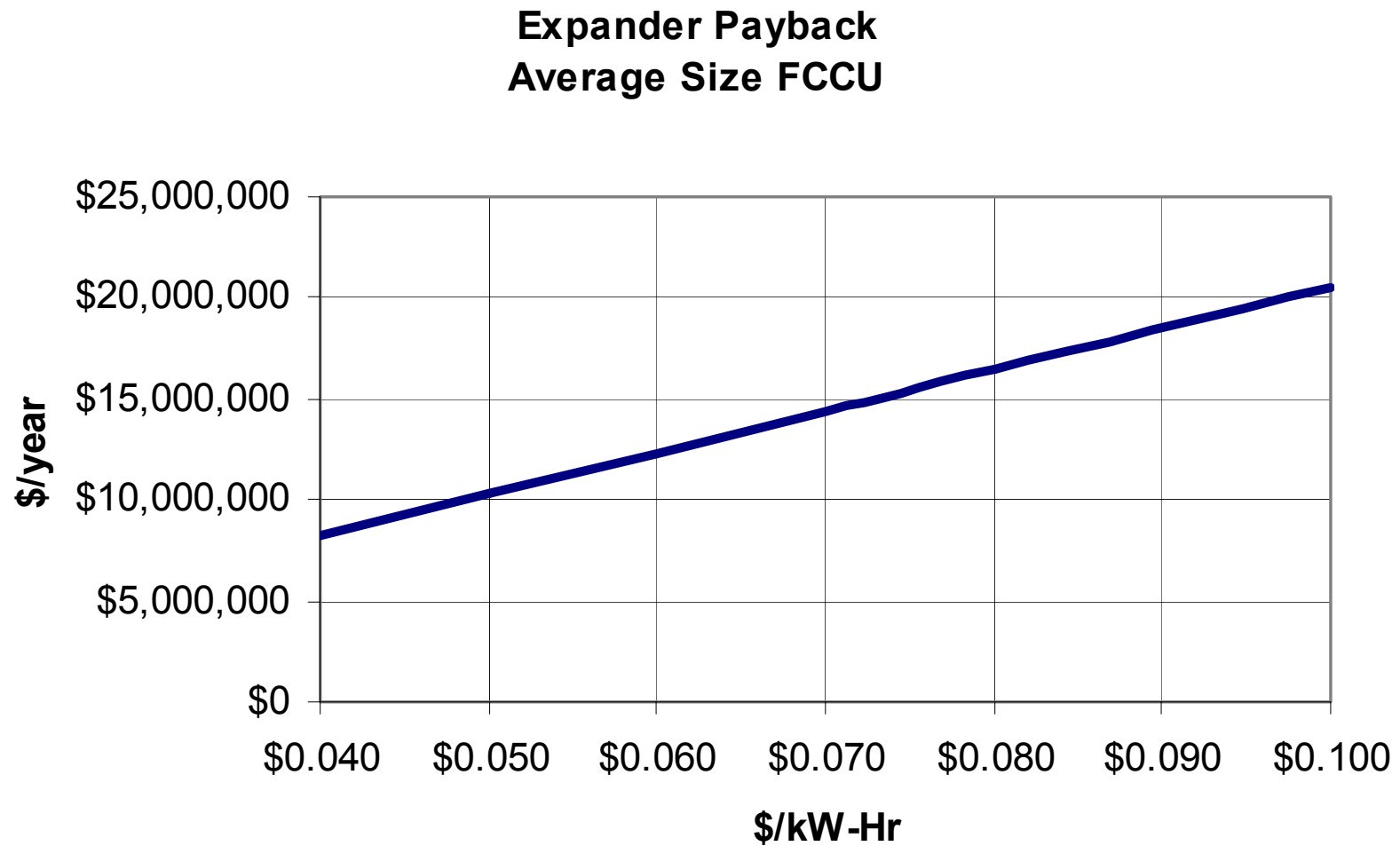


### ➤ **Tollgate 1: Feasibility Review**

- (Customer to provide the following information)
  - Regenerator temperature
  - Regenerator pressure
  - Regenerator flue gas flow rate
  - Electricity costs
  - Steam costs

### ➤ **From this information GE CONMEC can estimate**

- Power recovery
- Frame size of expander
- Reduction in annual energy costs





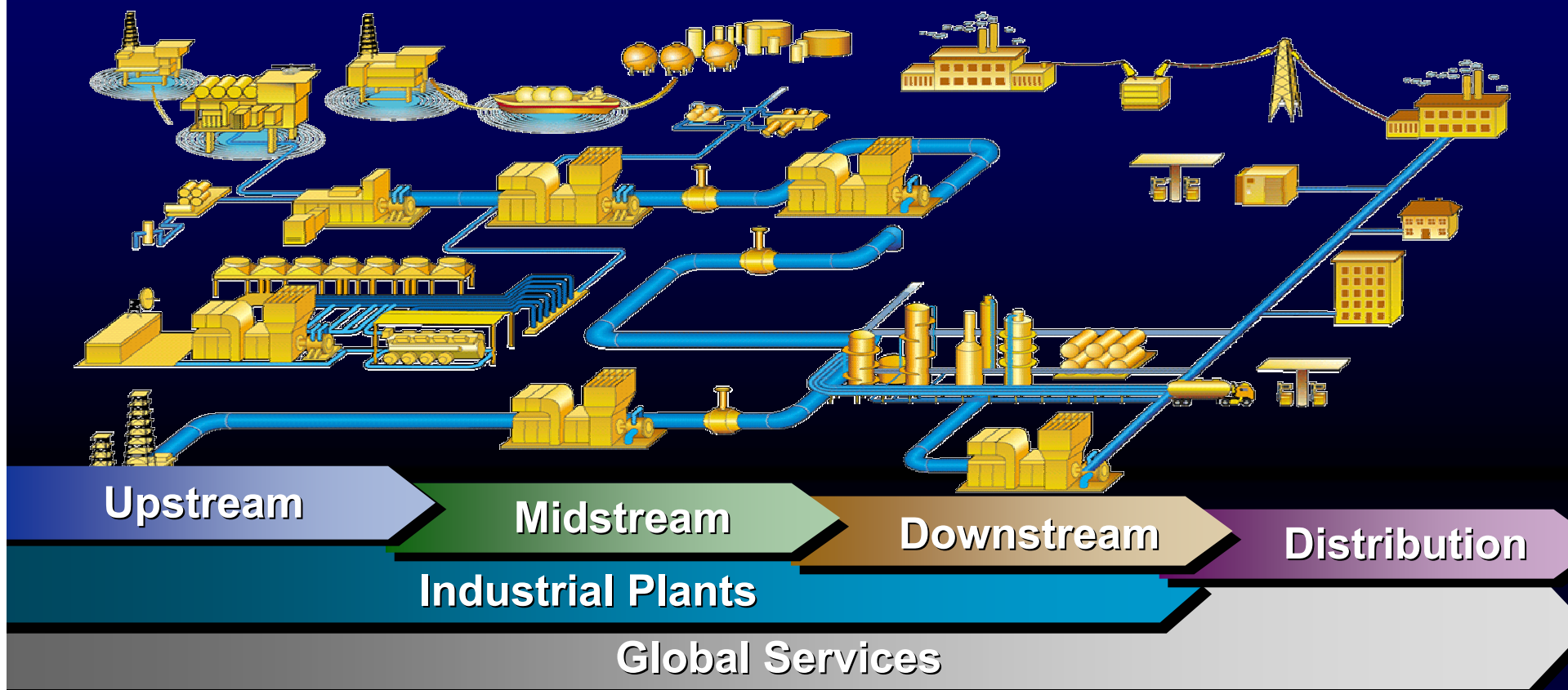


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## **Valero/GE Conmec projects in production**

- **Corpus Christi expander power upgrade**
- **Wilmington expander reliability upgrade**
- **Wilmington axial compressor reliability upgrade**
- **Ardmore FCCU wet gas train upgrade**
- **Paulsboro Hydrogen recycle compressor upgrade**



## Drivers

- GT Efficiency & Fuel Flexibility
- Environmental Compliance
- Increasing Gas Production
- Service Response Time
- Reduced Life Cycle Cost

## Offerings:

- Fuel Conversions & Upgrades
- Emission Reduction Technology
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- Local Presence ... US Footprint
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  - Hot Gas Expanders
  - Centrifugal & Axial Compressors
  - Steam Turbines

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- 3rd Party GT Service